



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/986,826	11/13/2001	Shinkichi Ikeda	P21688	6156
7055	7590	04/14/2006	EXAMINER	
GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C.				HO, DUC CHI
1950 ROLAND CLARKE PLACE				
RESTON, VA 20191				
				ART UNIT
				PAPER NUMBER
				2616

DATE MAILED: 04/14/2006

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Response to Rule 312 Communication	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/986,826	IKEDA, SHINKICHI
	Examiner Duc C. Ho	Art Unit 2616

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

1. The amendment filed on 10 May 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

DUCHO
PRIMARY EXAMINER



04-12-06